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The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate, and Members of the Senate State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 The Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, and Members of the House of Representatives State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Aloha President Kouchi and Speaker Saiki:

I am sending this letter to wholeheartedly endorse Katie L. Ducatt as Deputy to the Chairman of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL).

For nearly seven years, Katie served as Deputy Attorney General for the DHHL, gaining the background and experience necessary to effectively support its mission at this crucial juncture. She has intimate knowledge of the legal, political, and practical challenges that DHHL, its Commission, and staff face in trying to fulfill its mission to provide homesteads for qualified Native Hawaiians.

She has also served as Deputy Attorney General for the Child Support Enforcement Agency (CSEA), Maui branch. In this role, she represented CSEA in cases before the family court and circuit court and provided essential services and guidance in accordance with federal and state laws that govern the CSEA to ensure that the well-being of children and families were met.

Katie earned a J.D. from the William S. Richardson School of Law at University of Hawai'i, Mānoa and a B.A. from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa.

I have every confidence that Katie will serve the state well in her capacity as the Deputy to the Chairman of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

Mahalo,

Josh Green, M.D.

Governor, State of Hawai'i